

**Decision Record**  
U.S. Department of the Interior  
Bureau of Land Management, Spokane District  
Wenatchee Field Office  
915 Walla Walla Avenue  
Wenatchee, WA 98801

## **1. Background**

Puget Sound Power Company filed an application requesting a renewal of their existing right-of-way WAW-05098 (which expired) to operate and maintain an overhead transmission line. The existing line (new case number WAOR-68563) transmits power for the Kittitas Reclamation District main pump house on the Yakima River.

## **2. Decision**

I have decided to renew this right-of-way WAOR-68563 (formerly WAW-05098) under Title V of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of October 21, 1976 (90 Stat. 2776; 43 U.S.C. 1761). My decision will authorize Puget Sound Power Company, through a right-of-way, to continue to operate and maintain the existing overhead power line that transmits power to the Kittitas Reclamation District pump house. The maintenance and operation requires a 40-foot right-of-way width. The total length of line is approximately 1,390 feet and the right-of-way totals 1.276 acres. The term of the grant would be 30 years.

## **3. Authority and Rationale for Decision**

The right-of-way would be renewed under Title V of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act. This environmental effects of this action was analyzed in a categorical exclusion (DOI-BLM-ORWA-W020-2015-0008-CX) and I have determined this decision will not cause significant impacts to the environment.

## **4. Coordination and Consultation**

Consultation with other agencies or the tribes was not required for this project.

## **5. Administrative Review or Appeal Opportunities**

This decision may be appealed to the Interior Board of Land Appeals, Office of the Secretary, in accordance with the regulations contained in 43 CFR, Part 4. To appeal you must file a notice of appeal at the BLM Wenatchee Field Office, 915 N. Walla Walla Ave., Wenatchee, Washington 98801, within 30 days from receipt of this decision. The appeal must be in writing and delivered in person, via the United



States Postal Service mail system, or other common carrier, to the Wenatchee Field Office as noted above. The BLM does not accept appeals by facsimile or email. The appellant has the burden of showing that the decision appealed from is in error.

If you wish to file a petition pursuant to regulation 43 CFR 4.21 (58 FR 4939, January 19, 1993) for a stay of the effectiveness of this decision during the time that your appeal is being reviewed by the Board, the petition for a stay must accompany your notice of appeal. Except as otherwise provided by law or other pertinent regulation, a petition for a stay of decision pending appeal shall show sufficient justification based on the following standards: (a) The relative harm to the parties if the stay is granted or denied, (b) The likelihood of the appellant's success on the merits, (c) The likelihood of immediate and irreparable harm if the stay is not granted, and (d) Whether the public interest favors granting the stay.

Copies of the notice of appeal and petition for a stay must also be submitted to each party named in this decision and to the Interior Board of Land Appeals and to the Office of the Solicitor (see 43 CFR 4.413); Regional Solicitor, Pacific Northwest Region, U.S. Department of the Interior, 805 SW Broadway, Suite 600, Portland, OR 97205; at the same time the original documents are filed with this office.

/s/ Linda Coates-Markle

12.15.15

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Linda Coates-Markle  
Field Manager

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Date

Attached: Project Map  
Categorical Exclusion Documentation